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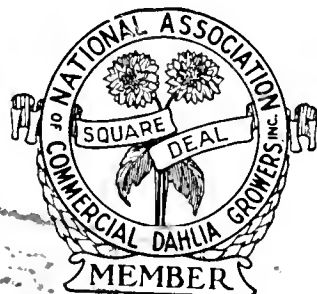
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## Time of Shipment

Roots will be shipped after April 1st to June 1st, earlier shipments will not be guaranteed. Plants will be shipped after May 15th to June 15th. All retail orders shipped prepaid.

# 1934 DERRING-DO DAHLIAS

Visitors Always Welcome to Our Gardens



One mile east of town center, along State Highway No. 29, to and up Glenside Avenue, first left driveway end.

(See Map on Inside Back Cover of 1932 Cat.)

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For Details

SEE 1932 CATALOG  
and 1933 LIST

### References:

The First State Bank, Scotch Plains, N. J.  
Westfield National Bank, Westfield, N. J.  
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DERRING-DO

Scotch Plains, N. J.

(WEstfield 2-3125)



It would be difficult indeed to imagine a more valuable or a more complete guide for the cultivator of a dahlia or for the person who aspires to have a dahlia garden some day.



Just think of the time and money wasted every year (to say nothing of the sad disappointments) on dahlias that, because of improper planting and care, never materialize.



THIS IS THE RESULT OF FOLLOWING THE  
DERRING-DO DAHLIA GUIDE

# This Splendid Guide Tells You Everything You Should Know About Dahlias

HERE at last is a Guide that gives not only the complete romance about dahlias, but also the practical side as well. For many years there have been dahlia books available but the majority have proven cumbersome for the average lover, or else their scope has been far too limited. But here are definite, time-tested instructions that anyone can understand for the cultivation and care of **every** type of dahlia. It tells you when and how to start the seeds, whether indoors or out, when to set out plants, how to transplant, cultivate and water, how to care for plants, and the best kinds of soil for them—these are only a few of the essential details covered.

Just as much importance is laid on the artistic side of dahlia planting—whether you want dainty flowers or showy flowers, whether you want them for outdoor display or for cutting, for hedges, grouping, massing or distant effects.

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From Ohio:

“Dear Mr. Dixon:

I am again reading your Dahlia Guide, very interesting. I believe if all our customers could be induced to have a copy, it would be helpful to us all, especially the cuts on how to plant. Plants, it seems, too few understand, they don't get them deep enough.

D. Paul Wickersham,

MAD RIVER GARDENS,  
Urbana, Ohio.”

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From Michigan:

“Dear Mr. Dixon:

Another thing you have issued one of the finest books on dahlia growing I have ever seen and I guess I have seen most of them. By that I mean that for Mr. Average Man it just simply cannot be bettered. Just why some of the other growers have not taken it up and issued it from your rights I fail to understand. Surely it would be well worth all the royalty they have to pay. I know if I were in a position to do so I would not hesitate a minute as it gives a service that you and I and other like us have had to experiment and work with, until we secured the results desired.

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Royal Oak, Mich.”

From Connecticut:

“Dear Friend Dixon:

I have read your very interesting guide thru several times, and find much valuable information in it, in fact it is in a class by itself, among the many that I have received.

Yours very truly,

Wm. J. Rathgeber.”

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From New York, 2-3-32.

“Dear Sir:

Two years ago I bought your collection No. 1 and I wish (at this rather late day) to thank you for your generosity in substituting some very fine expensive roots in place of those you could not supply as listed in the group. You were kind enough to substitute Jane Cowl, Saxon Chief, Harry Mayer, and others and in accordance with the slogan of the National Association of Commercial Dahlia Growers I want to say that I received **more** than a “Square Deal.” In view of your very generous treatment toward a casual buyer whom you never saw or heard of before, it is needless to say that I will be glad to tell others to deal with Derring-Do for an honest and “Square Deal.”

Very sincerely yours,

Otta M. Waeterling,  
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# PRICES FOR 1934 -- Novelties of Exceptional Merit



**"PRINCETONIAN"**

(A DAHLIA WORTHY OF THE NAME)

Colvin-Derring-Do

An informal Decorative Dahlia with petals blended light-orange-yellow and coral-pink that twist and curl from an ideal center. A flower 8-11 inches (and without forcing) on a stem and neck that is perfection beyond improvement.

This dahlia has:—Color, size, color-stability, stem, neck, large-leaf, good bloomer, good root maker, good propagator and not "tricky" to grow. In short a grand dahlia without "Ballyhoo."  
NOTE: This is the seedling that caused the crowd to gather and try to buy at the N. Y. Show in 1932, but limited stock prevented its sale. It's regrettable that no picture was taken of the 50 bloom display of it in the Brooklyn Show last October. Suffice to state that they were like the one checked (✓) in the display-cut of the 1933 folder.

Plants \$5.00

Roots \$10.00

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DERRING-DO DAHLIAS  
Scotch Plains, N. J.

Burr McIntosh (Burch, 1933) Plants  
F. Dec. .....5.00 Only

This is a 11 inch one color, light - yellow dahlia and the best keeping flower of that color that I have grown. It was named after the cheerful philosopher on the occasion of his 70th birthday and formally dedicated at the Breakfast Club. A very attractive dahlia, grow to 4 canes.

Horace Adams (Burch, 1933) S. C. 2.50 Plants  
Only

This is a shaggy flower with a color of suffused orange and yellow, an oriental color deepening under artificial lighting. A large leaf variety, grow to 4 canes.

Manomet (Shattuck, 1934) C. .... 5.00 10.00

This is an orange colored cactus dahlia unspotted darker orange. I grew it to four canes and the blooms were 12 inches and very deep. The flowers are held well and above the foliage and is a great keeper, one of the best cactus dahlias to date.

Marquita (Eastman, 1933) .....1.50 Plants  
Only

This miniature decorative dahlia can not be over rated. It is faultless and is a most pleasing white-pink shading to a darker pink and strawberry-jam color on petal tips. It is very low growing and a prolific bloomer. Truly a very pretty little dahlia. Crown-out and let grow natural.

Ruby Taylor (Garrity - Success, 1933) Inf. D. .... 3.75 7.50

A clear carmine flower with perfect habits,—long stiff stems, open growing bush producing large, deep blooms. It received certificate award in 1932 and won many first in 1933. Grow to 4 or 6 canes.

White Wonder (Black - Kemp, 1933) Inf. D. .... 3.75 7.50

A grand garden and exhibition dahlia with blooms 11 by 7 inches. A pure white long, pointed, twisted and curled petals, giving the flower a light, fluffy appearance. This dahlia is a cross of Fort Monmouth—Ida Perkins, and is a strong, vigorous grower, branching from the ground. Stems are long and stiff, foliage thick and leathery. Grow to 4 or 6 canes.



# ADDITIONAL VARIETIES

(Not on 1933 List)

	Plant	Root
<b>Amelia Earhart</b> (Cordes - Eastman, 1933) Inf. D., Coral .....	3.75	7.50
<b>American Legion</b> (Nuneviller, 1932) Inf. D. Deep Yellow .....	2.50	5.00
<b>Arthur</b> , Pom. Scarlet .....		.25
<b>Bluebird</b> , Min. Bluish-lavender .....	.50	.75
<b>Candy-Kid</b> , Pom. Coral Pink, shaded lavender .....		.35
<b>Charming</b> , Pom. Lavender-pink .....		.50
<b>Darkest of All</b> , Pom. Maroon .....		.50
<b>Douglas Tucker</b> , Pom. Golden-yellow, tipped orange .....		.25
<b>Girlye</b> , Pom. Mauve-pink .....		.25
<b>Florence Louise</b> , Inf. D. Yellow .....	2.50	5.00
<b>Geant DeLyon</b> , Coll. Rich velvet maroon, cream collar .....	.50	1.00
<b>Jessica</b> , Pom. Amber edged red .....		.25
<b>Joe Fetty</b> , Pom. A fine white .....		.25
<b>Jonnie Pippin</b> , Pom. Dark-crimson .....		.25
<b>La Fiesta</b> (Cordes - Eastman, 1933) Butter-yellow, Pom Rd. ....	3.75	7.50
<b>Little Jewel</b> , Min. Pink .....		.35
<b>Mary Munns</b> , Pom. Fuchsia, orchid sheen .....		.25
<b>Midget</b> , Pom. Salmon, suffused violet .....		.50
<b>Monmouth Penant</b> (Kemp, 1933) Inf. D. Flame, tipped white .....	2.00	4.00
<b>New Glory</b> , Semi. C. Garnet-red, tipped white .....	.50	1.00
<b>Orange Ball</b> .....	.50	1.00
<b>Omega</b> , Pom. Amethyest, tipped white .....		.25
<b>Orientale</b> , (.....), F. Dec. Deep glowing orange .....	.50	1.00
<b>Pastel Glow</b> (Ruschmohr, 1933) Inf. D. White to mallow - pink .....	3.00	6.00
<b>Pink Century</b> , Sing. Mauve-pink .....		.25
<b>Purple Ball</b> .....		1.00
<b>Red Head</b> , (Golden Rule, 1934) Min. Orange-scarlet .....	.50	1.00
<b>Sarah Holser</b> , Sing. A beauty. Apple-blossom-pink .....	.50	1.00
<b>Silver Moon</b> (Shattuck, 1932) F. Dec. Very light yel. to white .....	2.50	5.00
<b>Sinbad of the Sea</b> (Newsome, 1932) F. Dec. Vivid-scarlet .....	1.00	2.00
<b>Tang</b> , (Downs, 1931) Inf. D. Orange, gold shadings .....	.50	1.00
<b>Tarrytown</b> , (Waite, 1931) Inf. D. Deep gold, bronze shading .....	.50	1.00
<b>Windam Glory</b> , (Fraser, 1932) F. Dec. Deep-gold .....	.50	1.00

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